

CLAIM AMENDMENTS:

1. (currently amended) A theme pillow assembly for playing peek-a-boo hide and seek with at least one item, comprising:

a cushioning member, said cushioning member including a cushioning medium, a front surface and a back surface, said front surface and said back surface being connected along an outer perimeter of said cushioning member, said cushioning medium being between said front surface and said back surface;

a first cavity, said first cavity recessed from said front surface into said cushioning member, said first cavity having a first cavity opening, a first cavity sidewall perimeter surface and a first cavity floor surface, said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface connected to said first cavity floor surface, and said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface encircled by said cushioning medium;

at least one item removeably situated in said first cavity;

a first door connected to said front surface, and said first door openable to an open position for revealing at least a portion of said first cavity and closeable to a closed position over said first cavity for concealing said at least a portion of said first cavity and said at least one item situated in said first cavity;

wherein said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface billows inward toward said first cavity to snugly hold said at least one item; and,

wherein at least one of said cushioning member and said first door have indicia, said at least one item and said indicia together visually indicating an illustrated theme.

2. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, wherein said at least one item includes a stuffed toy.

3. (canceled)

4. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, further comprising a sound device, and where said sound device emits a sound that further indicates said illustrated theme.

5. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, wherein said first cavity opening has a circumference and where said first door has a larger circumference than said first cavity opening circumference so as to overlay a portion of said front surface.

6. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, wherein said outer perimeter of said cushioning member has a generally rectangular outline, said outline encircling a cushioning member frontal area, said first cavity opening encircling an opening area, and where said opening area is at least 18% of the size of said cushioning member frontal area.

7. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, wherein said cushioning member includes a shell, said shell housing said cushioning medium, and said shell comprising quilted fabric material.

8. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, wherein said first cavity floor surface is attached proximate to said back surface for preventing said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface and said first cavity floor surface from turning inside out.

9. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, further including a securing means for securing said first door in said closed position, and wherein said first door is pivotally connected to said front surface.

10. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, further comprising a second door connected to said cushioning member.

11. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 10, wherein said first door and said second door conceal said first cavity when said first door and second door are in closed positions.

12. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 10, further comprising a third door, said third door underlying said first door when said first door is in said closed position.

13. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, further comprising an attached structure bridging at least a portion of said first cavity.

14. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, wherein said outer perimeter of said cushioning member has an outline that is shaped to further visually indicate said illustrated theme.

15. (currently amended) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, wherein said cushioning member includes an outer perimeter surface, said outer perimeter surface connected to an outer perimeter of said [[first]] front surface and connected to said ~~second~~ back surface, said outer perimeter surface providing depth to said cushioning member.

16. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 15, further comprising a second cavity, said second cavity having a second cavity perimeter sidewall surface which generally encircles a three dimensional void of said second cavity, said second cavity generally encircled by said cushioning medium.

17. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 16, wherein said second cavity is in said outer perimeter surface and extending in an inward direction between said front surface and said back surface.

18. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 16, further comprising a second door, said second door having a closed position for concealing said second cavity and an open position for revealing said second cavity.

19. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, further comprising a tunnel, said tunnel having a tunnel opening in said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface, and said tunnel being a passageway located in between said front surface and said back surface.

20. (original) The theme pillow assembly of claim 1, further comprising a cover door and an opening in said first door, said cover door covering said opening in said first door in a closed position and exposing said opening in said first door in an open position, said cover door pivotally connected to said first door.

21. (original) A theme pillow kit comprising the theme pillow assembly of claim 1, a blanket, and a container, said container sized to hold said theme pillow assembly and said blanket, at least one of said blanket and said container having indicia which together with said cushioning member and said item visually indicates said illustrated theme.

22. (original) The theme pillow kit of claim 21, wherein said container is a carrying bag and includes a transparent portion and trim portion, said trim portion having indicia that coordinates with said indicia on said at least one of said cushioning member and said first door.

23. (currently amended) A cushion article for removeably receiving an item, comprising:

- a first surface having an outer perimeter;

- a second surface connected to said first surface at said outer perimeter;

- a cushioning medium, said cushioning medium located between said first surface and said second surface;

- a first cavity, said first cavity being a three dimensional void encircled by said cushioning medium and being generally encircled by said first surface, said first surface including a front surface, a first cavity sidewall perimeter surface and a first cavity floor surface, said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface and said first cavity floor surface generally defining

said three dimensional void, said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface billowing toward said three dimensional void, at least when said void is empty, for snugly holding yet removeably receiving the item, an opening to said first cavity being encircled by said front surface; and,

a first door, said first door connected to said first surface and openable to an open position and closeable to a closed position, said first door overlaying said first cavity in said closed position.

24. (original) The cushion article of claim 23, in combination with a removeable item, and where at least a portion of said first surface and said first door have indicia which together with said item visually illustrate a theme.

25. (original) A theme pillow assembly for concealing and revealing an item comprising:

a first layer of material;

a second layer of material connected to said first layer of material;

cushioning medium between said first layer and said second layer;

a cavity having an opening, said first layer of material including a front layer, a cavity sidewall perimeter layer and a cavity floor layer, said cavity sidewall perimeter layer being encircled by said cushioning medium;

an item removeably stationed in said cavity;

a third layer of material attached to said first layer of material, said third layer of material being a door covering at least a portion of said cavity opening, said third layer of material pivotally attached to open to an open position and close to a closed position; and,

where at least one of said first layer of material and said third layer of material bear indicia which together with said item indicate a theme.

26. (new) The theme pillow assembly of claim 25, wherein said item includes a stuffed toy.

27. (new) The theme pillow assembly of claim 25, further comprising a sound device.

28. (new) The theme pillow assembly of claim 25, wherein said cavity opening has a circumference and where said third layer has a larger circumference than said cavity opening circumference so as to overlay a portion of said first layer of material.

29. (new) The theme pillow assembly of claim 25, wherein said cavity floor layer is attached to said second layer for preventing said cavity sidewall perimeter layer and said cavity floor layer from turning inside out.

30. (new) The theme pillow assembly of claim 25, wherein an outer perimeter of said theme pillow assembly has an outline that is shaped to further indicate said theme.

31. (new) The theme pillow assembly of claim 25, further comprising a outer perimeter layer of material, said outer perimeter layer of material connected to an outer perimeter of said first layer of material and an outer perimeter of said second layer of material, said outer perimeter layer of material providing depth to said theme pillow assembly.

32. (new) The theme pillow assembly of claim 31, further comprising a second cavity, said second cavity having a second cavity sidewall perimeter surface which generally encircles a three dimensional void of said second cavity, said second cavity generally encircled by said cushioning medium.

33. (new) The theme pillow assembly of claim 25, further comprising a tunnel, said tunnel having a tunnel opening in said cavity sidewall perimeter layer, and said tunnel being a passageway located in between said first layer and said second layer.

34. (new) A theme pillow assembly for playing peek-a-boo hide and seek with at least one item, comprising:

- a cushioning member, said cushioning member including a cushioning medium, a front surface and a back surface, said front surface and said back surface being connected along an outer perimeter of said cushioning member, said cushioning medium being between said front surface and said back surface;

- a first cavity, said first cavity recessed from said front surface into said cushioning member, said first cavity having a first cavity opening, a first cavity sidewall perimeter surface and a first cavity floor surface, said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface connected to said first cavity floor surface, and said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface encircled by said cushioning medium;

- at least one item removeably situated in said first cavity;

- a first door connected to said front surface, and said first door openable to an open position for revealing at least a portion of said first cavity and closeable to a closed position over

said first cavity for concealing said at least a portion of said first cavity and said at least one item situated in said first cavity;

wherein said cushioning member includes a shell, said shell housing said cushioning medium, and said shell comprising quilted fabric material; and,

wherein at least one of said cushioning member and said first door have indicia, said at least one item and said indicia together visually indicating an illustrated theme.

35. (new) A theme pillow assembly for playing peek-a-boo hide and seek with at least one item, comprising:

a cushioning member, said cushioning member including a cushioning medium, a front surface and a back surface, said front surface and said back surface being connected along an outer perimeter of said cushioning member, said cushioning medium being between said front surface and said back surface;

a first cavity, said first cavity recessed from said front surface into said cushioning member, said first cavity having a first cavity opening, a first cavity sidewall perimeter surface and a first cavity floor surface, said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface connected to said first cavity floor surface, and said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface encircled by said cushioning medium;

at least one item removeably situated in said first cavity;

a first door connected to said front surface, and said first door openable to an open position for revealing at least a portion of said first cavity and closeable to a closed position over said first cavity for concealing said at least a portion of said first cavity and said at least one item situated in said first cavity;

further comprising an attached structure bridging at least a portion of said first cavity; and,

wherein at least one of said cushioning member and said first door have indicia, said at least one item and said indicia together visually indicating an illustrated theme.

36. (new) A theme pillow assembly for playing peek-a-boo hide and seek with at least one item, comprising:

a cushioning member, said cushioning member including a cushioning medium, a front surface and a back surface, said front surface and said back surface being connected along an outer perimeter of said cushioning member, said cushioning medium being between said front surface and said back surface;

a first cavity, said first cavity recessed from said front surface into said cushioning member, said first cavity having a first cavity opening, a first cavity sidewall perimeter surface and a first cavity floor surface, said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface connected to said first cavity floor surface, and said first cavity sidewall perimeter surface encircled by said cushioning medium;

at least one item removeably situated in said first cavity;

a first door connected to said front surface, and said first door openable to an open position for revealing at least a portion of said first cavity and closeable to a closed position over said first cavity for concealing said at least a portion of said first cavity and said at least one item situated in said first cavity;

a cover door and an opening in said first door, said cover door covering said opening in said first door in a closed position and exposing said opening in said first door in an open position, said cover door pivotally connected to said first door; and,

wherein at least one of said cushioning member and said first door have indicia, said at least one item and said indicia together visually indicating an illustrated theme.